

## COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT

## FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION

## **LUMBER YARD PERMIT REQUIREMENTS**

Article 1, section 105 of the Los Angeles County Fire Code states... a permit shall be obtained from the Fire Prevention Division prior to engaging in the following: ... to store lumber is excess of 100,000 board feet (9290.3 m² surface area of lumber 25.4 mm in thickness). See Article 30. Additional requirements may be applicable.

<u>Exterior Lumber Storage</u> Exterior lumber storage shall be in accordance with Section 1103.3.5. Lumber storage shall be arranged to form stable piles. Piles shall not exceed 150,000 cubic feet (4248m<sup>3</sup>) in volume.

<u>Fire Apparatus Access Roads</u> Fire apparatus access roadway shall be provided for building and facilities in accordance with Section 902.2.

<u>Water Supply</u> An approved water supply capable of supplying the required fire flow shall be for all portions of yards and buildings in accordance with Section 903.

<u>Security</u> Permanent lumber storage areas shall be surrounded with an approved fence. Fences shall be a minimum of 6 feet (1829mm) in height. Exception: Lumber piles inside buildings and production mills for lumber, plywood and veneer do not require fences.

<u>Location</u> Outside storage of combustible materials shall not be located within 10 feet (3048mm) of a property line. Exceptions: The separation distance is allowed to be reduced to 3 feet (914mm) for storage not exceeding 6 feet (1829mm) in height. The separation distance is allowed to be reduced when the chief determines that no hazard to the adjoining property exists.

Storage Beneath Buildings and Structures Combustible material shall not be stored beneath a building or structure.

<u>Storage Beneath Overhead Projections from Buildings</u> Combustible material stored or displayed outside of buildings that are protected by automatic sprinklers shall not be stored or displayed under unsprinklered eaves, canopies or other projections or overhangs.

Height Storage in the open shall not exceed 20 feet (6096mm) in height.

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